



christianunionchurch

Sunday, September 6, 2026
Welcome Representative: Julie Fandel
Usher: Dick Owens

The Real Issue with Jesus
Matthew 12:9-14

Prelude	<i>I Will Rise</i> <i>Mighty to Save</i> (Piano Special)
Welcome	Martin Smith
Songs	<i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i> <i>Indescribable</i> (Special TBD)
Prayer & Message	Gary Salm
Communion	
Announcements	
Closing Song	<i>Standing on the Promises</i> #236 vs. 1-4
Postlude	

Invitation to Communion

Our celebration of communion is open to all believers. Communion Stewards will pass the elements to you.

If you are looking for a new church family, please fill out the blue card, located in the back of the pews. After the service, please give the blue card to the Welcome Rep in the foyer and receive a complimentary gift bag that includes additional information.

Please give Prayer Requests (yellow slips located in the pew) to Pastor Gary. The prayer list is updated monthly with each newsletter. Please let the church office know if prayers have been answered.

Please remember to sign the attendance sheet inside the black pew pad and pass it down the pew.

At Christian Union Church we recognize that giving to God in tithes and offerings is an act of worship. A private act of worship according to Jesus. We have boxes in the foyer to collect those offerings, and we also receive them in the mail. God loves a cheerful giver. We pray: Gracious God, as we come before you this morning, we give you thanks for all the many ways that you have blessed us. As we present this offering, it is only a portion of all that we have received from our God. We dedicate these gifts to your purpose and ask your blessing upon them.

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Announcement Highlights

PHILATHEA September Meeting — The ladies of Philathea will meet on Tuesday, September 8 at 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Hosts will be Kim McLaren and Julie Fandel. Devotion will be by Kim McLaren. Everyone is welcome to attend and participate.

Monthly Dining Out — will be Thursday, September 10 at 6:00 pm. This month's selected restaurant is THE 520 CAFÉ, 520 Bloomington Road, East Peoria. Please sign up on the sheet near the church office door by Monday, September 7. Question? Contact Jan Swartz or Elaine Newell.

To the women of Christian Union Church — **A baby shower** to celebrate Pastor Gary and Lori's future granddaughter will be held Sunday, September 20 from 1 to 3 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you can join us. Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet by the church office. Parents-to-be Audrey & Justin Sprinkel have registered at both Target and Amazon.

Summer Mission Project — gifts received thru September will go to support RHMA – Rural Home Missionary Association – based in Morton IL. Please write "Summer Project" on the memo area of your check or on your giving envelope.



KidZone Shopping Trip in October

The KidZone kids and their leaders will be walking to IGA/Kirby foods in October to purchase groceries to donate to Open Arms Food Pantry. If you would like to donate to this project, please write "*KidZone Shopping Trip*" on your check (or use a pew envelope for cash) and drop it in the offering box. If you have questions, please contact Margie Hahn or Lori Salm. Thank you so much for your support!

*Thank you to Sharol Minger for the flowers on the altar today
in remembrance of Mike Minger's birthday (September 9).*

Highlights of This Week at Christian Union Church

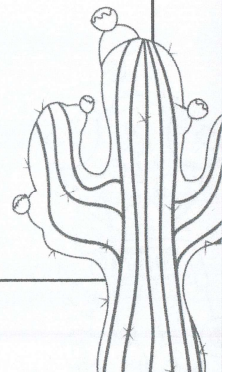
For the complete list of events, please see UPCOMING EVENTS on the website.

Sunday, 09/06	9:30 am	Coffee and donuts - Front Foyer
	10:00 am	Worship Service – Family Sunday
	5:00 pm	Sunday Night Prayer Group
Monday, 09/07		Labor Day – Office closed
Tuesday, 09/08	1:30 pm	Philathea - Fellowship Hall
	6:30 pm	Men's Bible Study - Chapel
	6:30 pm	Women's Bible Study – Family Room
Wednesday, 09/09	11:00 am	Staff Meeting – Family Room
	6:30 pm	Elevate – Fellowship Hall, SH & JH rooms
Thursday, 09/10	6:00 pm	Dining Out – The 520 Café, East Peoria
Sunday, 09/13	8:30 am	Music/Band rehearsal

My favorite worship song
today:

Today I want to pray for:

DRAW A PICTURE OR WRITE
SOMETHING YOU HEARD IN THE
SERMON



APPLICATION

I should..

I should not..

DRAW A PICTURE OF SOMETHING YOU HEARD IN
THE SERMON

